

Carolyn Ribordy of Ogden Dunes, Indiana. Denis and Carolyn were honored for their exemplary and dedicated service to our community on April 7, 1999. Their praiseworthy efforts were recognized at the Center for Visual and Performing Arts as they received the 1999 Distinguished Citizen's Award, sponsored by the Calumet Council of Boy Scouts of America. The Distinguished Citizen's Award is given to worthy recipients who demonstrate their dedication and outstanding service to the community.

Denis and Carolyn Ribordy, longtime residents of Northwest Indiana, hale from East Chicago and Indianapolis, respectively. After both graduated from Butler University College of Pharmacy, they returned to Northwest Indiana, and have made our area their permanent home. In 1955, the Ribordy's opened their own pharmacy, Ribordy Drugs, Incorporated. Denis Ribordy served as the founder and President of the 26-store retail drug chain in Northwest Indiana until Ribordy Drugs was sold to Walgreens in 1985.

While the Ribordys have dedicated considerable time and energy to their work, they have always made an extra effort to give to the community. Denis is very involved in several organizations including: Chicago Motor Club, Hunter Corporation, Lake County Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Incorporated, Mercantile National Bank, Northern Indiana Public Service Company, Northwest Indiana Forum, and Trade Winds Rehabilitation Center, Incorporated. Additionally, he serves as a trustee for Butler University and Methodist Hospital of Gary, Indiana. Carolyn serves as an elder at the Ogden Dunes Presbyterian Church and was a past recipient of the Robert Anderson Award for Exceptional Commitment to Community Service.

Though the Ribordys are dedicated to their career and community, they have never limited their time and love for their family. The Ribordys have raised four children; Cheryl, 41; Scott, 39; Nancy, 36; and Mark, 33, of whom they are immensely proud.

Mr. Speaker I ask that you and my distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating Denis and Carolyn Ribordy for receiving the 1999 Distinguished Citizen's Award. Their dedicated service to Northwest Indiana is commendable and admirable. Indiana's First Congressional District is proud to count two such dedicated, conscientious citizens, Denis and Carolyn Ribordy, among its residents.

HONORING RUBY LEE JOSEPH

HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 21, 1999

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Ruby Lee Joseph, who died at the age of 67, on her birthday, June 20, 1998. Ruby Lee died surrounded by the people she loved most, her family. She was a role model, a community leader, and a dedicated mother and grandmother.

Ms. Joseph was born and raised in Houston, Texas. She graduated from Jack Yates High School in 1949. Later she was married to

Leroy Joseph, and together they had seven children. They raised their children with love and a strong sense of values, and all seven successfully graduated from college.

Ruby Lee extended her familial bonds beyond those who were her blood. Throughout the community she was affectionately known as "Grann" or "Ms. Ruby". She leaves behind numerous "adopted" children and friends who will cherish her memory.

Ms. Ruby was well-known in the community for her service at East Bethel Missionary Baptist Church and the Blue Triangle YWCA. She touched many lives, friends and strangers alike. She taught her family and friends to live by the Golden Rule. She instilled in her children that you should help others who needed it and to forgive others selflessly. Ruby Lee not only taught these valuable lessons, but exhibited them in her everyday life.

Ruby Lee is preceded in death by her husband, parents, granddaughter Jasmine Joseph, and great granddaughter Tatiayana Garner.

She leaves behind her children: Paula Sharleen and husband Ronald Crawford; Jeffrey Leon, Gerald Wayne and wife Marjorie; Gregory Allen and wife Debra; Iona Pearl, Reuben Lawrence and wife Deidre; Sharon Ann and husband Aaron Hughes; grandchildren: Gregory Wayne, Consuela and husband David Garner; Marcus, Antrice, Yolande, Candace, Crystal, Corey, Courtney, Justin, Christian, Jared, Gregory II, Reuben II, Reginald, and Aaron Alexander, Audrey and Denesa; her great grandchildren: Demontray, Ariel, A'reona and Danté. She also leaves her sister Kathleen Sander and husband Lonnie; her brother Wayne Anderson and wife Rosamond; her uncle Horace Mann Moore; her cousin Helen Jones; her stepmother Ruth Allen; her aunt Maggie Moore; three brothers-in-law Arthur, Ellis and Earl Joseph, and numerous "adopted" children, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all the Members of the House to join me in paying tribute to the life of Ruby Lee Joseph. She touched our lives and our hearts, and she will be greatly missed.

TRIBUTE TO GARTH REEVES

HON. CARRIE P. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 21, 1999

Mrs. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to pay tribute to an outstanding citizen of Florida's 17th Congressional District, Garth Reeves. I am recognizing Garth Reeves for receiving the lifetime achievement award from the Florida's black business investment board. Garth is a renowned recipient who is surely deserving of such a prestigious award.

Garth comes from four generations of Reeves who have managed the Miami Times, which was founded by his father, Mr. Henry E.S. Reeves, in 1923.

It is clear why Garth has been honored for this important award. He has been a reporter, editor, publisher, banker, entrepreneur, com-

munity activist and humanitarian in the Miami area who has made outstanding contributions to our community. Currently, Garth serves as publisher emeritus of the Miami Times.

The Miami Times has been instrumental in covering the human dimension of African American culture. The Reeves family has made a successful effort in establishing an African American newspaper even before Ebony and Jet Magazine. Over the years, the Miami Times has covered such outstanding African Americans as Phyllis Wheatley, Richard Allen, Florida's very own Athalie "Mama" Range, the Honorable Joe Lang Kershaw and Gwen Sawyer Cherry.

The dreams, aspirations and achievements of the African American community were also recorded in the Miami Times. Garth has made the Miami Times the voice and over the years, the written history of the African American community.

The Miami Times is the pre-eminent newspaper serving the African American community in all of Florida. It became one of the first black newspapers in America to exchange editorials, letters, and articles with the Miami Jewish Tribune. A few years later, the Miami Times began exchanging opinion pieces with one of America's great Spanish-language weeklies, the *Diario Las Americas*. The Miami Jewish Tribune and the *Diario Las Americas* have worked closely with the Miami Times to close what was seen as a growing chasm between the communities.

Garth Reeves' life has been dedicated to the achievement of excellence and service to humankind. For these reasons, I ask my colleagues to please join me in acknowledging a great American and Floridian, Mr. Garth Reeves, Sr.

IN HONOR OF PULITZER PRIZE WINNER DAVID HORSEY

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 21, 1999

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and bring the attention of this body to the Nation's outstanding award for journalism, which was given recently to Mr. David Horsey, editorial-page cartoonist for the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*.

In winning the Pulitzer Prize for editorial cartooning, Mr. Horsey has capped what is turning out to be a remarkable career in the press.

I have known and appreciated Mr. Horsey's work for more than 20 years since his graduation from the University of Washington and career at several of the State's daily newspapers, before joining the P-I staff in 1979.

As you well know, the job of an editorial cartoonist is not to make politicians feel good about themselves, and I have been a target of Mr. Horsey's journalism from time to time. But he also has the integrity to honor as well as puncture political stands, and cartoons of both types hang on the walls of my offices in Seattle and Washington, DC.

The Pulitzer might be the latest and most-recognized, but it hardly is the first journalistic honor to come David's way.